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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Labor, and Pensions

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## AN ACT

To amend the Public Health Service Act to enhance the roles of dentists and allied dental personnel in the Nation's disaster response framework, and for other purposes.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Dental Emergency Re-  
3 sponder Act of 2010”.

4 **SEC. 2. DENTAL EMERGENCY RESPONDERS: PUBLIC**  
5 **HEALTH AND MEDICAL RESPONSE.**

6 (a) NATIONAL HEALTH SECURITY STRATEGY.—Sec-  
7 tion 2802(b)(3) of the Public Health Service Act (42  
8 U.S.C. 300hh–1(b)(3)) is amended—

9 (1) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A),  
10 by inserting “and which may include dental health  
11 facilities” after “mental health facilities”; and

12 (2) in subparagraph (D), by inserting “(which  
13 may include such dental health assets)” after “med-  
14 ical assets”.

15 (b) ALL-HAZARDS PUBLIC HEALTH AND MEDICAL  
16 RESPONSE CURRICULA AND TRAINING.—Section  
17 319F(a)(5)(B) of the Public Health Service Act (42  
18 U.S.C. 247d–6(a)(5)(B)) is amended by striking “public  
19 health or medical” and inserting “public health, medical,  
20 or dental”.

21 **SEC. 3. DENTAL EMERGENCY RESPONDERS: HOMELAND SE-**  
22 **CURITY.**

23 (a) NATIONAL RESPONSE FRAMEWORK.—Paragraph  
24 (6) of section 2 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002  
25 (6 U.S.C. 101) is amended by inserting “and dental” after  
26 “emergency medical”.

1       (b) NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS SYSTEM.—Subpara-  
2 graph (B) of section 653(b)(4) of the Post-Katrina Emer-  
3 gency Management Reform Act of 2006 (6 U.S.C.  
4 753(b)(4)) is amended by striking “public health and med-  
5 ical” and inserting “public health, medical, and dental”.

6       (c) CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER.—Paragraph (5) of  
7 section 516(c) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6  
8 U.S.C. 321e(c)) is amended by striking “medical commu-  
9 nity” and inserting “medical and dental communities”.

Passed the House of Representatives September 28,  
2010.

Attest:                   LORRAINE C. MILLER,  
*Clerk.*